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TO AMEMBASSY VIENNA

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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL COMPLAINT

REF: STATE 117262 AND 121470, VIENNA 4432 AND 4523

1. ON MAY 13 FRANK KELLOGG APPEARING AS ORM BUDGET WITNESS BEFORE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOREIGN OPERATIONS ASSURED CONGRESSMAN LONG IN RESPONSE TO THE LATTER'S INQUIRY THAT ORM WOULD DO ALL IT COULD TO MAKE POSSIBLE CONGRESSMEN LONG' AND KOCH'S MAY 30 VISIT TO SOVIET REFUGEE TRANSIT CENTER.

2. SUBSEQUENTLY CONTENTS OF VIENNA 4432 WERE CONVEYED TO CONGRESSMAN LONG'S STAFF WHO PASSED INFORMATION TO CODEL IN BERLIN. LONG AND KOCH APPRECIATED NECESSITY FOR BAN ON PUBLICITY AND AGREED TO WAIVER OF PHOTOGRAPHER. AUSTRIAN INSISTANCE ON RED CROSS CHIEF ACCOMPANYING CODEL AND ABSENCE UNTIL JUNE 2 FOR EILBERG VISIT TO CENTER PREVENTED LONG AND KOCH WHO HAD TO MAINTAIN SECDEF TRAVEL SCHEDULE FROM INSPECTION VISIT.

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3. ISRAEL EMBASSY WASHINGTON REPORTED TO LONG THAT ITS EMBASSY VIENNA HAD BEEN INFORMED BY AMEMBASSY VIENNA (1) THAT CONGRESSMAN YATES WAS TO HAVE BEEN INCLUDED. THIS WAS INACCURATE. (2) THAT CONGRESSMAN LONG AND KOCH HAD BEEN ASKED BY EMBASSY TO JOIN LARGER EILBERG CODEL JUNE 2 VISIT. NO REFERENCE WAS MADE TO ABSENCE OF RED CROSS OFFICIAL. (3) AND THAT THE US CONSUL VIENNA HAD SAID LONG AND KOCH HAD "ARRIVED IN ADVANCE OF LARGER CODEL" AND THEN "HAD HURRIED HOME".

4. CONGRESSMAN LONG HAS ASKED THIS MESSAGE BE SENT AND HAS REQUESTED A REPLY. KISSINGER

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